

Glenda Downey Elected Legion Auxiliary President

Glenda (Mrs. Jim) Downey has been elected president of Otis D. Green Unit 155, American Legion Auxiliary, for the coming year. She will succeed Mrs. Jackie D. (Arlene) Barrett.

Other new officers, all of whom will be installed at the June meeting, will include Mrs. Luco (Gertie) Falls, first vice-president and membership chairman; Mrs. Judy Grindstaff, second vice-president; Betty (Mrs. Charles) Hampton, recording secretary; Arlene (Mrs. J.D.) Barrett, corresponding secretary and treasurer; Judy (Mrs. Steve) Harmon, historian; Beulah (Mrs. J.E.) Mauney, chaplain; Mrs. Daisy McCurry, assistant chaplain; Mrs. Harold (Rachel) Ledford, sergeant-at-arms and Mrs. Brenda Beattie, assistant sergeant-at-arms. Members of the nominating committee

included Elizabeth Stewart, Mrs. Orangrel Jolly, Rachel Ledford and Arlene Barrett.

A film on St. Jude's Children's Hospital featured the program, arranged by Mrs. Marty Southards. Mrs. Southards, secretary in the Kings Mountain Police Department, explained that the annual benefit here will again be sponsored by KMPD. Members of the Auxiliary will assist in serving refreshments at the bicycle rodeo.

Mrs. Barrett, who presided over business of the meeting, invited members to attend the 23rd District meeting Sat., Apr. 28th, in Rutherfordton. Registration, she said, is at 9:30 a.m. at the Post Home with the meeting set to begin at 10 a.m.

Hostesses for the meeting were Arlene Barrett, Glenda Downey, Judy Grindstaff, and Marty Southards.



Photo by Gary Stewart

...ALL-STATE—Beverly Bell, member of the Kings Mountain High band, has been named to the All-State Honors Band, which will perform for the public on April 27-28 in Raleigh. She was chosen after an audition in High Point on March 31.

Bride-Elect Honored

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Mountain. The bride-to-be is daughter of the late Dr. and Mrs. M.J. Hornowski of Asheville. She attended Stratford College, Danville, Va., the University of North Carolina at Asheville and Blanton's Junior College of Interior Design. She was presented to the Rhododendron Royal Brigade of Guards and is a member of the Junior League of Asheville.

Mr. Howard is a graduate of the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill and will graduate from UNC School of Dentistry in May. A July wedding is planned.

HONORED AT UNCG

Elizabeth A. Eaker, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. L.C. Eaker, 5100 Park Dale

Cir., Kings Mountain, was among members of the junior class of UNC-Greensboro honored at a special academic achievements reception.

IT'S A BOY

Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Stewart Hamrick of Shelby announce the arrival of their first child, a son, Joseph Stewart Hamrick, April 7, Cleveland Memorial Hospital, Shelby.

The baby weighed seven pounds, 10 ounces.

Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Walter Ware of Kings Mountain and Mr. and Mrs. James Marvin Hamrick of Shelby. Great-grandparents are Mrs. Etta Costner and Mr. and Mrs. Frank C. Ware, all of Kings Mountain.

The baby's mother is the former Kathy Ware of Kings Mountain.

Jacob Lee Sansing Celebrates First Birthday

Jacob Lee Sansing, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ken Sansing, celebrated his first birthday with a family party at his home on Sat., April 7th.

A Superman and Friends cake was cut and served with ice cream and party favors to his guests.

Jacob is the seventh grandchild of Mr. and Mrs. W.S. Biddix and the fourth grandchild of Mrs. Nell Sansing and the late Tom Sansing.



JACOB LEE SANSING

School Lunch Menus

School menus in the Elementary schools for the remaining month of April have been announced by Kings Mountain District Schools.

K-FIFTH GRADES

Mon., Apr. 23 - Cheesburger, potato rounds, cole slaw, milk.

Tues., Apr. 24 - Country fried steak, rice and gravy, mixed vegetables, applesauce, roll, milk.

Wed., Apr. 25 - Baked fish, cheese wedge, french fries, tossed salad, roll, milk.

Thurs., Apr. 26 - Fried chicken, brown rice, green beans, candied yams, biscuits, milk.

Fri., Apr. 27 - Lasagna,

tossed salad, chilled fruit, French bread, milk.

GRADES 6-7

Mon., Apr. 23 - Sloppy Joe with cheese, lima beans, chilled fruit, roll, milk.

Tues., Apr. 24 - Fried chicken, potato salad, green peas, applesauce, roll, milk.

Wed., Apr. 25 - Cheesburger with chili, potato rounds, coleslaw, milk.

Thurs., Apr. 26 - Tacos, French fries, chilled fruit, milk.

Fri., Apr. 27 - Baked fish, cheese wedge, green beans, potato triangles, roll, milk.

Jeff Putnam Serving At Ft. Hunter Base

E-2 Jeff Putnam, son of Lawrence and Connie Putnam of Kings Mountain, is serving with the U.S. Army as a behavioral science specialist at Fort Hunter in Savannah, Ga.

Putnam entered the service last August and completed basic training at Fort Leonardwood, Mo. and graduated at the top of his class in medical training and psychological program at Fort Sam Houston, Texas.

A 1978 graduate of Kings Mountain Senior High School, Putnam entered the service with his good friend and fellow graduate, Andy Loftin, son of Major and Dessie Loftin of Kings Mountain. The two young men graduated in the same KMSHS graduating class



E-2 JEFF PUTNAM

and took the same Army training. E-2 Loftin is now stationed at Fort Benning, Ga.

PPG Puts \$44.1 Million Into Area's Economy

Nearly \$44.1 million flowed into the Shelby-Charlotte-Spartanburg area economy during 1978 from PPG Industries' Shelby fiber glass manufacturing plant.

Plant Manager Lear T. Powell said the figure is up from 1977 when the area financial impact was \$35.8 million.

The largest share of the PPG facility's economic impact came from wages and salaries of \$19.7 million paid to 1,470 employees.

Area purchases from 265 suppliers amounted to \$5.3 million, while utility and transportation costs totaled \$5.4 million.

Costs for environmental control operations in 1978 amounted to \$400,000. State and local taxes paid by the facility were \$700,000.

Plant employees donated \$75,430 to the area United Fund campaign. The PPG Industries Foundation supported various cultural and educational programs in the area with grants of \$18,400.

Another \$12.5 million was paid for contract work in connection with two major plant expansions last year.

PPG purchased 12 acres of land and an existing building next to its Shelby fiber glass plant in order to expand production of Azdel reinforced plastic sheet. The new facility, expected to begin production in April, contains about 55,000 square feet of floor space under roof, Powell said.

Azdel sheet is a stampable, fiber glass reinforced polypropylene material that has had notable success with such applications as the Corvette bucket seat - the first plastic seat in a U.S. production vehicle

retainer panels behind numerous elastomeric front ends and other body panels, battery trays in a number of General Motors trucks and Ford passenger vehicles, and a package shelf in the Volkswagen Rabbit.

A second expansion project includes the addition of a new glass melting furnace, complete with forming and fabrication equipment, and the rebuilding and enlarging of an existing furnace.

Completion of the expansion this year will boost capacity at the Shelby plant to about 240 million pounds of continuous-filament fiber glass annually, thereby increasing production by 40 percent and creating about 225 additional jobs, Powell

said. Continuous-filament fiber glass, which excludes insulation products, is used in plastics and rubber reinforcements and for textile yarn.

PPG's Shelby plant is one of two North Carolina fiber glass production plants. It produces continuous-strand fiber glass for roving, chopped strand, chopped strand mat, yarn and tire cord.

Besides fiber glass, PPG is a leader in the

manufacturing of glass, chemicals, coatings, resins and fabricated plastics. The Pittsburgh-based firm has 63 production locations worldwide, with 43 of them in the United States.

In 1978, PPG had net earnings of \$132 million on sales of \$2.8 billion. The net earnings represent a return of 4.7 percent on sales. Wages, salaries and employee benefits totaled 28 percent of sales, while materials and services amounted to 56 percent.

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